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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of: :

SILVESTRINI :

SERIAL NO.: 754,716 : GROUP ART UNIT: 118

FILED: JULY 15, 1985 : EXAMINER: J. HOWARD

FOR: HARD ELASTIC SUTURES :

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated October 24, 1985,  
please amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6 line 28, insert --to-- after "about 10".

REMARKS

The above amendment merely corrects a typographical  
omission.

Claims 1 to 8 and 11 to 19 stand rejected under 35 USC 103  
over Northey (3,359,983) or Listner (3,630,205). The rejection  
is respectfully traversed and withdrawal is solicited.

The Examiner in the above Action states as follows:

"While the references do not specifically state that  
the filament is a "hard elastic" filament, it has the  
same properties as that of the instant claims and was  
prepared in the same manner."

Applicant disagrees that either the same properties or the  
same manner of preparation is described in Northey or Listner.